

As an American citizen who values the role of a strong, independent, and unbiased press I am truly appalled by Sinclair's decision to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. How can they call themselves journalists? How can they call this news? How can you justify not reining in these violators of one of our most necessary principles?

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.